

VILLAGE OF YATES CITY REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2026 6:00 P.M. 102 WEST MAIN STREET, YATES CITY, ILLINOIS

1. Call to Order

Hostetler called the meeting to order at 6:11pm

2. Roll Call

Present: Matt Ehens, Vonda Brinker, Tom Kinzer, Dave Mahr, Ron Smith, Seth Lekies, Mark Hostetler
Also Present: Neely Carr, Joy Mahr, Molly Copher from The Weekly Post, Scott Brunton Village Attorney

3. Pledge of Allegiance

All present stood and pledged to the flag.

4. Citizens to Address the Board

None

5. Approve Minutes for February 4th Committee Meeting and February 11th Board Meeting

Ehens moved to approve the minutes from the February 4th Committee Meeting and February 11th Board Meeting. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

6. Approve Monthly Bills, Payroll and Financial Statements

Kinzer moved to move \$3,000.00 from MFT Savings to MFT Checking. Mahr seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.
Kinzer moved to approve monthly bills, payroll, and financial statements. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

7. Police Report- Chief Record

Chief Record was not present, no reports given.

OLD BUSINESS:

8. Update on Well/Reservoir Project

No changes

9. Update on Shaft and Gear Box Replacement for South Oxidation Ditch Paddle Wheel at the Treatment Plant

Hostetler reported Greg from TEST started yesterday, there were some bolts missing, but has an April 7th completion date. There was discussion about G A Rich & Sons Plumbing doing the yearly inspections.

10. Discuss/Approve Purchase of Police Radio Software Updates in an Amount not to Exceed \$8,755.58

Tabled

11. Update/Possible Action on Water Bill for Resident in 600 Block of South Burson

Hostetler reported there has been no response from the resident.

12. Update on Water Shut-Off Valve Isolation Project

Hostetler reported Kinsel received quotes from Core & Main - \$22,000.00; IMCO - 21,000.00; and Schulte \$15,297.14 before taxes through Kinsel.

NEW BUSINESS:

13. Discuss/Approve Payment to Chris Ebert Company in an Amount not to Exceed \$27,000.00 for Well Pump and Labor

Hostetler reported March 3rd there was a down power line that led to power surges burning out the surge protector. March 5th there were more surges that caused our well pump to fail completely by 10:00am. The EPA approved using the new well to run water directly into the reservoir using a hose. The water will be untreated. The old pump was taken out yesterday and the new pump should be installed tomorrow.

14. Discuss/Approve Resolution of Temporary Closure of Illinois Route 8 on August 22, 2026 for Harvest Home Festival Parade

Ehens moved to approved the resolution to close the temporary closure of route 8 on August 22nd, 2026. Kinzer seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

15. Discuss/Approve Hosting Dumpster Day on April 18th from 8:00 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. Ordering of One Dumpster from Quality Roll Off and One Weekly Ads in *The Weekly Post* in an Amount not to Exceed \$750.00

Correction from 3:30pm to 1:00pm. The Village will pay for 1 dumpster and 1 week of advertising. Kinzer moved to approve hosting dumpster day on April 18th, 2026 from 8:00am to 1:00pm, paying for one dumpster and one week of advertising in an amount not to exceed \$750.00. Brinker seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

16. Discuss Purchase/Hauling of Sand for the Sand Filters at the Treatment Plant

The Board was provided a copy of the EPA's email response regarding the clarification of sand and amounts.

17. Discuss/Approve 3-Year Service for Water Softener Heads in Public Works Building from EcoWater Systems in the Amount of \$7,414.82

Smith moved to approve the 3-year service for water softener heads in the public works building from EcoWater Systems in the amount of \$7,414.82. Brinker seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

18. Discuss/Approve Purchase of Motherboard for Main Flow Meter at Public Works Building from Midwest Meter INC in the Amount of \$998.44

The display kit did not fix the problem, the motherboard was ordered and installed by Jordan Suits, everything is working properly. The display kit was still needed as the flow rates were undeterminable. Kinzer moved to approve the purchase of the motherboard in the amount of \$998.44. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

19. Discuss/Update on Public Works Building Generac not Achieving Automatic Turn-On

MidWest Equipment is scheduled for March 18th.

20. Discuss/Approve Maintenance Agreement with Elba-Salem Park District Concerning Consumer Price Index Increase by 2.4%, making adjustment from \$376.00 to \$385.00

Kinzer moved to approve the adjustment for the maintenance agreement with ESPD concerning the consumer price index increase from \$376.00 to \$385.00 per month. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

21. Discuss/Approve Farmington Trap Shooting Team Sponsorship in an Amount not to Exceed \$250.00

Hostetler reported there has been no response. Tabled.

OTHER BUSINESS:

22. Committee Reports

No reports

23. Discussion of Such Other Business as may Properly Come before the Board and Action, if any, to be Taken as Result of Discussions

At 6:44 p.m. a motion was made by Kinzer to enter executive session to discuss probable or imminent litigation affecting or on behalf of the Village. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

At 7:07 p.m. Smith moved to end the executive session. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous. In open session, roll call was taken. Present: Tom Kinzer, Dave Mahr, Seth Lekies, Ron Smith, Matt Ehens, Vonda Brinker, Mark Hostetler

Also Present: Neely Carr, Joy Mahr, Scott Brunton Village Attorney

ADJOURNMENT

Smith moved to adjourn the meeting. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:08pm